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Labor Fire: Fire behavior continues as anticipated

Fredonia, Ariz., Sept. 9, 2016 — For Immediate Release. Fire behavior today continued as anticipated, resulting in a total of 341 acres on the Labor Fire. The day's operations included strategic firing operations on interior ridgetops and along Highway 89A in order to reduce smoke impacts and lower fire spread intensities.

Tomorrow firefighters will continue ridgetop firing operations as needed and complete burn-out operations along Highway 89A to secure the southern planning-area boundary. They will continue monitoring fire behavior and weather conditions and implement strategic firing operations as needed.

Tomorrow's forecast is expected to bring drier conditions and light winds, while increased chances for precipitation are anticipated Sunday through Tuesday. Smoke impacts to Highway 89A are anticipated but not expected to delay traffic. Drivers are asked to continue using caution when traveling in the vicinity of firefighting operations, observe all posted signs and any traffic-control measures that may be in place.

Date/Time Reported: Monday, Sept. 5, 2016

Location: Approximately 19.5 miles southeast of Fredonia and 3.5 miles northwest of Jacob Lake

Cause: Lightning

Size: 341 acres

Fuel Type: Predominantly ponderosa pine

Planning Area: 430 acres

Anticipated Smoke Impact: Light smoke is anticipated within the vicinity of Jacob Lake. For more information on how smoke can affect you, please visit www.phoenixvis.net/PPMmain.aspx.

Additional information is available through the Kaibab National Forest Fire Information Phone Line (928) 635-8311 or via text message – text 'follow kaibabnf' to 40404.

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